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### DSL-990 – FAMILY-SPONSORED IMMIGRANT VISA INFORMATION LETTER



Dear Sir or Madam:

Reference is made to your recent inquiry in connection with your desire to immigrate to the United States.

Since you appear to qualify under the category checked below, you should request your United States citizen or resident alien relative to file a petition, Form I-130, in your behalf with the Immigration and Naturalization Service office having jurisdiction over his or her place of residence.

☐ **Immediate Relatives:** Spouses and children of United States citizens and parents of citizens over the age of twenty-one. Such immediate relatives are not subject to any numerical limitations. A separate petition must be filed for each relative.

The law provides preferential status for certain other relatives of United States citizens and for certain relatives of lawfully admitted permanent resident aliens. These preference categories, which are subject to numerical limitations (minimum preference limits in parentheses), are listed below:

☐ **First Preference:** Unmarried sons or daughters of United States citizens and their children, if any. (23,400)

☐ **Second Preference:** Spouses, children, and unmarried sons and daughters of lawful permanent resident aliens. **NOTE:** At least 77% of all visas available for this category will go to the spouses and children; the remainder will be allocated to unmarried sons and daughters. (114,200)

☐ **Third Preference:** Married sons and daughters of U.S. citizens, and their spouses and children. (23,400)

☐ **Fourth Preference:** Brothers and sisters of United States citizens, and their spouses and children, provided the U.S. citizens are 21 years of age or over. (65,000)

When an approved petition in your behalf has been received from the Immigration and Naturalization Service according to the status checked above, you will be informed of further steps to be taken in your case.

Sincerely,

American Consular Officer

